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As a lifelong Democrat, I was offended when District 15's Representative announced his retirement and endorsed for his replacement a long time Republican who was willing to switch to the Democratic Party in order to enhance his chance of being elected. I believe that party affiliation should mean something and that a person who will change parties so easily has no commitment to the principles of either party.

Like all candidates running for office, I want to help solve the problems of affordable housing, traffic congestion, solid waste disposal, beach access, and drug abuse. I support well planned and controlled development which requires that the infrastructure be in place before the building begins. I believe that protecting the environment protects the quality of life on Kauai.

I believe that the war in Iraq is having a detrimental effect on the ability of government at all levels to respond to the needs of the citizens. I admire Senator Inouye and Senator Akaka for having the courage to refuse to vote to authorize the war in Iraq. That is one of the reasons that I am proud to be a Democrat.

After over thirty years in athletic administration at the University of New Mexico, I retired as associate athletic director in 2000 and moved to Kauai. I have been active in the Democratic Party since arriving and I have supported many Democratic candidates, both statewide and on the island. I have three college degrees, including a master's degree in public administration.